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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 8-9 11, 18, and 20-43 were previously presented. Claims 2, 5-7, 12, 15-17, 19, and 44-72 are withdrawn. Claims 4, 10, and 13-14 are currently amended. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-4, 8-11, 13-14, 18, and 20-43 are pending examination.

Restriction Requirement

The Applicant elects to pursue Invention I as defined by claims 1-43 without traverse.

Species Election

The Office Action requires that the Applicant elect a species of the polysiloxane. Claims 2-7, and 10-19 narrow the polysiloxane of claim 1. In response, claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, and 15-19 are withdrawn. A species of polysiloxane has the claim 10 formula I-d with:

the variable p greater than 0;

the variable R_{40} as an organic spacer that includes an oxygen linked directly to a silicon on the backbone of the polysiloxane;

the variable m as 0; and

sidechains that include a carbonate moiety as represented by the formula formula I-d sidechains with subscript n .

This species fall within the scope of remaining claims 3, 10, 11, and 13-14. In order for claims 3, 10, 11, and 13-14 to be drawn to different species, they must be mutually exclusive. Since none of claims 3, 10, 11, and 13-14 are mutually exclusive, they are not directed to more than one species. As a result, the withdrawals and amendments have narrowed the pending claims to a single species.

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CONCLUSION

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone or e-mail the undersigned with any questions.

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